

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 28 with the following rewritten paragraph:

Applicants have uniquely discovered that the use of a mixture of at least three types of film forming agents, such as maltodextrins, fillers (~~e.g., microcrystalline cellulose (MCC)~~) and hydrocolloids (e.g., sodium alginate), can be effectively utilized to prepare “stand alone” edible films. The edible films are composed of ingredients that are readily available, can be prepared at lower costs and display similar properties as compared to edible films composed of pullulan. In this regard, the edible films can provide a physiologically acceptable film, which is suitably adapted to adhere to oral surfaces of an oral cavity and rapidly dissolve therein.